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LB 710

Mr. David Domina, as Special Attorney General, and Mr. John Miller, Special Assistant Director, Nebraska Department of Banking. That will be on file in my office. Copies are being made for distribution to the members ultimately. Hopefully today.

PRESIDENT: Very well. Is Senator Newell present? We will pass over #5 on the agenda, which is a request to withdraw a bill in the absence of Senators Newell or Wesely, and will proceed to General File. Senator Rupp, are you available? You are here, good. LB 710, and may we have order in the Chamber, please, as we begin General File discussion.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 710 was offered by Senator Rupp. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 4 of this year. It was referred to the Public Works Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rupp.

SENATOR RUPP: Mr. President and colleagues, this is a rather simple little bill dealing with school permits. Although it is a little bit complicated, I suggest if you want to know about it, just listen for a minute or so. It was heard in Public Works only on Wednesday. You know it is a very good bill because it got out of that committee and out here on the agenda ahead of the license plate bill and the farm truck license bill. So it is moving rapidly. It started with a local problem in Columbus but it will have statewide ramifications if Senator Vickers' Education Committee adopts the tuition transfer compromise in some of these school district squabbles. You are all familiar, I am sure, with the one at Columbus, also at Hastings, at Grand Island and Southern Douglas and Sarpy County. What it involves quite simply is this. What it involves quite simply is this, Columbus has an area, a suburban area known as Johannes Addition that was annexed by the city last year. The Class VI high school serving this area known as Columbus Lakeview High School serves most of the students in this area and the City of Columbus gave these students a one-time option of continuing at the Class VI school or coming into the city limits and going to Columbus High School. About a dozen families chose to go to the Class VI school. Last